MINUTES HERITAGE TRUST ADVISORY BOARD FEBRUARY 8, 2007 SANTEE COASTAL RESERVE MCCLELLANVILLE, SC

MEMBERS PRESENT

OTHERS PRESENT

Julia Krebs (Chair) Campbell Coxe (Vice-Chair)

Rodger Stroup

Fritz Hamer (for William Calloway)
Joel Felder (for Bob Schowalter)

Jake Rasor

States Clawson (for Joe Taylor)

Sonny King Henry Fair

Irvin Pitts (for Chad Prosser)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Elizabeth Grace Freddy Vang Jon Leader John Frampton Mike McShane Barry Beasley Ken Prosser Kay Daniels Julie Holling Sean Taylor Ann Darr Kathy Boyle Bert Pittman Breck Carmichael

Val Nash Tim Ivey **Bob Perry** Ed Duncan Jamie Dozier Sam Westerhold Jay Cantrell Sam Stokes Sam Chappelear Deanna Ruth Keary Mull Martha Zierden Nancy Cave Patrick Tindall Joel Allen Angie Jones Zane Wilson

Elise Olson

Call to Order

Dr. Krebs called the meeting to order and called the roll.

Approval of November 1 Minutes

One change was noted in the minutes from the November 1, 2006 Heritage Trust Advisory Board (HTAB) meeting in which the correct date for the May meeting should be May 3, 2007. A motion was made to approve the minutes as amended. The motion was approved.

Committee Appointments

Dr. Krebs appointed Sean Taylor, Eric Poplin, Chris Judge and Chuck Cantley to the HTAB's Cultural Areas Committee. She requested Freddy Vang and Rodger Stroup investigate the structure of the committees and whether there should be term limits and a specific number of members per committee.

Comments from the Director

Dr. Beasley introduced Sean Taylor as the department's new archaeologist. He updated members on issues including the proposed annexation of Segars-McKinnon Heritage Preserve (HP) by the City of Hartsville, improvements at Poinsett Bridge HP, the planned construction of a steam plant beside the Great Pee Dee River and proposed legislative bills affecting heritage preserves.

Dr. Beasley reminded everyone that the May and August meetings will be held in Columbia at the State Department of Archives & History and the November meeting will be a two-day event in the Upstate.

Overview of the Yawkey Center

Jamie Dozier gave members a presentation on the Tom Yawkey Wildlife Center.

Overview of the Woodbury and Hamilton Ridge Wildlife Management Areas

Sam Stokes reported on management activities at Woodbury WMA in Marion County and Jay Cantrell reported on activities at Hamilton Ridge WMA in Hampton County.

Overview of SCDNR Recreation Use Policy

Dr. Beasley explained the policy and the need for allowed uses to be documented on DNR properties. He stated a policy will be filed for each property and a fee is allowed for usage. Dr. Beasley informed members the department would soon double the amount of acreage open to the public. Tim Ivey discussed the issue of allowing horses on natural areas heritage preserves. Dr. Stroup made a motion that equestrian usage be allowed on Laurel Fork HP, Ditch Pond HP, and Henderson HP per DNR guidelines. The motion was approved.

Cultural Committee Report

Dr. Stroup reported the committee met on January 23, 2007 and received an update on management activities for all cultural preserves. He said they discussed the historical findings of a structure at Hamilton Ridge and noted they will be working to update the cultural areas priority list, which is more than 20 years old.

Proposed I-73 Impacts: Recommendations on Compensation and Mitigation

Ed Duncan reviewed the Heritage Trust Act regarding the taking of properties and just compensation. After some discussion, Dr. Stroup made a motion that as the I-73 project proceeds, HTAB approve the participation of Heritage Trust staff and appropriate DNR staff in on-going discussions with the Department of Transportation regarding compensation and mitigation. The motion was approved.

Update on Active Projects/Budget Overview

Ken Prosser updated members on active projects and reviewed the Heritage Land Trust Fund budget. A motion was made to approve the budget. The motion was approved.

Executive Session

HTAB entered executive session to discuss contractual matters. HTAB returned to regular session and voted to approve a budget addition for Hamilton Ridge in Hampton County.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at State Archives & History Center in Columbia on May 3, 2007.

Adjourn.

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